MR. P. S. MAHOMED (*Nominated*): ഒരാളിനെ നിയമിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ട് എങ്കിലും അയാൾ ഡ്യൂട്ടിയിൽ ചേർന്നിട്ടില്ല എന്ന് പറയുന്നു. അവിടെ പകരം ആളെ അയച്ചുവോ?.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): അതറിഞ്ഞു കൂടാ.

Opening of a road between Kottayam and Alleppey.

48. **MR. P. S. MAHOMED** (*Nominated*): (1) Are the Government aware that Kottayam is the most important place wherein land products and produce are first brought down for the purposes of sending them outside?

(2) Will they be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there is land communication between Kottayam and Alleppey; and

(*b*) whether there is land communication between Kottayam and Cochin harbour?

(3) Are they aware that there is great apprehension among the merchants at Alleppey that the importance of the Alleppey Port will diminish if no communication by land is provided between Alleppey and Kottayam?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*):

(1) Government are aware that Kottayam is a centre for collecting land products and produce before they are transported to the sea ports.

(2) (*a*) There is no direct land communication between Kottayam and Alleppey.

(*b*) There is no through land communication up to Cochin but there is land communication up to Ernaculam.

(3) The information is noted.

Construction of a Bridge across the Shertallai Canal at Kommadi.

49. **MR. P. S. MAHOMED** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they received petitions and resolutions praying for the construction of a bridge at Kommadi across the Shertallai canal;

(*b*) whether any action was taken on the petitions or resolutions; and

(*c*) whether they are aware of the great hardships caused daily to a large number of people who have to cross the canal at Kommadi?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes. The Chief Engineer reports that he has called for a detailed report from the Division Officer as to cost, etc., and further action will be taken on receipt of that report.

(*c*) The information is noted.

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